

To: Ana BAPTISTA[abaptista@ironboundcc.org]
From: Butler, Elizabeth
Sent: Thur 4/25/2013 1:34:40 PM
Subject: RE: FW: EQA photo

You're quite welcome and I agree!

OK on the panel, just keep me posted. There is some internal concern in our public affairs group about having an event that conflicts with the event that will be scheduled for the 10.9 removal, but honestly I don't understand the concern with that. I'm presuming that will be timed with the start of the work so early July I'd think, but I'll keep you posted if I get a lot of push back with that.

Basically, yes. In line with the goals of Urban Waters, you two had offered to put together a wish list for projects the local community would like to see happen on the river, particularly ones that perhaps the feds are getting in the way on or that you think the feds could possibly help you achieve or that the feds should be doing themselves. Basically, I was thinking it would be like an idea board just to kick start conversations when I do eventually get this big meeting planned. It could even just be a list of questions about the local goals for the river and trying to make the links to which agencies might have resources (staff, computer, or possibly even some money since I've been told that has happened at other projects) that could be brought to bear to help bring about those goals. The goals for Urban Waters are broad: education, bringing people back, helping local economies, cleanup, restoration, water conservation, etc. I hope this helps.

Thanks again and I guess I'll be talking to you on the CAG call on Monday, so have a nice weekend!

Liz

From: Ana BAPTISTA [abaptista@ironboundcc.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2013 9:19 AM
To: Butler, Elizabeth
Subject: Re: FW: EQA photo

Hello Liz

Thanks for the photo - I snuck out after Carol's award to get home earlier but it was very nice and I know Carol would've been very proud.

We don't have a date set for our Urban Waters River Panel because I wanted to time it with the opening of the new phase of the Riverfront Park but now that's looking like it will open closer to July not June or May so I might just go ahead and try to schedule the panel before then rather than wait for the park opening.

Sorry I didn't remember that Damon and I had a deliverable to you but remind me again what kinds of ideas you were looking for in terms of a wish list - you mean a wish list of what the

deferral agencies could do on the Passaic?

talk soon

Ana

On Wed, Apr 24, 2013 at 5:16 PM, Butler, Elizabeth <Butler.Elizabeth@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Ana.

Just received the attached photo of you and Judith from the EQA ceremony. I'm so glad you were able to make it on behalf of ICC. I was only able to stay through your receipt of the award so I hope the rest of the ceremony went well. I thought Judith made some nice remarks even if she mispronounced your name – sorry about that!

Also, just thought I would touch base on where things stand with the Urban Waters announcement. I finally heard from EPA HQ's that the national announcement of the 11 new projects is going to be made on May 10th and it seems the expectation is that the kick-off meetings should all be held by mid-June. I have already spoken with our public affairs division about drafting up a press release, which I'm hoping to be able to share with you, Damon, and Lisa before it goes out (also on the 10th). I also informed them of the group event I'm hoping to participate in with all of you. Any further developments on that? Is there anything you need from me and is a date set? Lastly, according to my notes, I wrote that you and Damon were going to put together some ideas in terms of what you thought the local wish list might look like. Does that ring a bell with you? Let me know.

Thanks and have a good night,

Liz

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